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TO: Members of the MAG Building Codes Committee

FROM: Michael Clack, Scottsdale, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Wednesday **May 21, 2008** - 2:00 pm MAG Office, Suite 200, Cholla Room 302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Building Codes Committee has been scheduled for the time and place noted above. Members of the MAG Building Codes Committee may attend in person, by videoconference or by telephone conference call. Those attending by videoconference must make arrangements with Craig Chenery at MAG and your site coordinator by at least the Friday prior to the meeting. Those attending by telephone conference call are requested to notify MAG staff at least one day in advance and call 602-261-7510 between 1:55 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. After prompting, please enter the meeting ID number 28453 (BUILD) on your telephone keypad followed by the pound key. If you have a problem or require assistance, dial 0 after calling the number above.

If you drive to the meeting, please park in the garage under the building and bring your ticket to the meeting; parking will be validated. For those using transit, the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.

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Please be advised that under procedures approved by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees must have a quorum to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership, or 13 people for the MAG Building Codes Committee. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please send a proxy from your jurisdiction or agency to represent you.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Heidi Pahl at (602) 254-6300 or hpahl@mag.maricopa.gov.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Introductions
- 3. April 16, 2008 Meeting Minutes
- 4. <u>Call to the Audience</u>

Members of the public may request to speak on items that fall under the jurisdiction of the MAG Building Codes Committee and are not scheduled on the agenda; or, on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience, with a limit of three minutes per speaker, unless the Chair requests an exception to this limit. Those requesting to comment on action agenda items may be provided an opportunity to do so at the time the agenda item is heard.

5. Comments From the Committee

An opportunity will be provided for Building Codes Committee members to present a brief summary of current events. The Building Codes Committee is not allowed to propose, discuss, deliberate or take action at the meeting on any matter in the summary, unless the specific matter is properly noticed in accordance with the Arizona Open Meeting Law.

6. Legislative Update

An update will be provided on legislative issues of interest.

7. New Wall Bracing Provisions

Rex Swanson of the American Plywood Association will make a presentation before the Committee regarding new wall bracing provisions in the 2007 International Residential Code supplement. This will be a new provision in the 2009 IRC and he would like the Committee to consider its use now.

- 2. For information.
- 3. Review and approve the minutes of the April 16, 2008 meeting.
- 4. For information and discussion.

5. For information and discussion.

- 6. For information and discussion.
- 7. For information and discussion.

8. <u>Inclusive Home Design</u>

The MAG Human Services Division is working on a report for the housing and transportation conference. One of the best practices listed in the report is about inclusive home design. MAG staff will solicit feedback from committee members on this topic.

Attachment One contains the Arizona Bridge to Independent Living Home Assessment Survey that will assist people in determining the accessibility of their home and compliance with inclusive home design.

9. <u>Home Builders Association of Central Arizona</u> (HBACA) Perspective on Expired Building Permits

At the April 2008 meeting of the MAG Building Codes Committee, members shared their experiences with handling the large numbers of permits that may expire since the pace of homebuilding has dramatically slowed. Since HBACA was not present at the April meeting, their representative will be requested to share their experience with handling this situation.

9. <u>Regional Plan Review/MAG Building</u>
<u>Inspectors/Plans Examiners (RPR/BI/PE) Forum</u>
<u>Update</u>

Ben Cox, Town of Gilbert, will discuss recent activities of the Regional Plan Review (RPR). Cheryl Mullis, City of Peoria, will discuss recent events of Building Inspectors/Plans Examiners (BI/PE).

8. <u>Updated MAG Building Codes Committee</u> <u>Membership</u>

> We are requesting that Committee members review Attachment Two, Committee Roster, sent with this agenda. Please forward any changes to Heidi Pahl prior to the meeting or provide them at the meeting.

11. Update Survey of Code Adoption

8. For information and discussion

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Attachment Three identifies the codes that member agencies have adopted. Please review this information and provide any updates or corrections to Heidi Pahl. MAG staff contacted member agencies to obtain information on their current codes.

10. Topics for Future Agendas

Potential topics for the next meeting will be discussed. The next meeting of the MAG Building Codes Committee is scheduled for Wednesday June 18, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. in the Cholla Room of the MAG offices.

13. Adjournment

12. For information and discussion.